

Community Open House on Public Improvement Priorities for Phasing and Funding December 3, 2014





Meeting Agenda

- Presentation on Waterfront Public Improvement Priorities
 - Background
 - Polling Exercise
 - Results Shared
- More Exhibit Time



Presentation Objectives

- Update community on Waterfront implementation
- Seek community views on priorities
- Provide input for development of FY 2016 – FY 2025 Capital Improvement Program and for subsequent Council action





- December 8, 7:00 PM Ad Hoc Monitoring Group on Waterfront Construction
- December 11, 7:00 PM Joint Public Hearing of the Waterfront Commission and Park/Recreation Commission
- December 16, 7:30 AM Waterfront Commission Monthly Meeting



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- Small area plans represent general visions and concepts
- Focus on private land use and development
- Early concepts for public space development
- Flood mitigation need acknowledged, but no detailed plan
- Cost estimated at \$50 million





- More design detail and specificity of elements
- Community and stakeholder input
- Long term wishes, desires and ideals, "blue sky" thinking
- World class level Olin design
- More fully integrated flood mitigation
- Taking the long view did not constrain design
- Cost not estimated

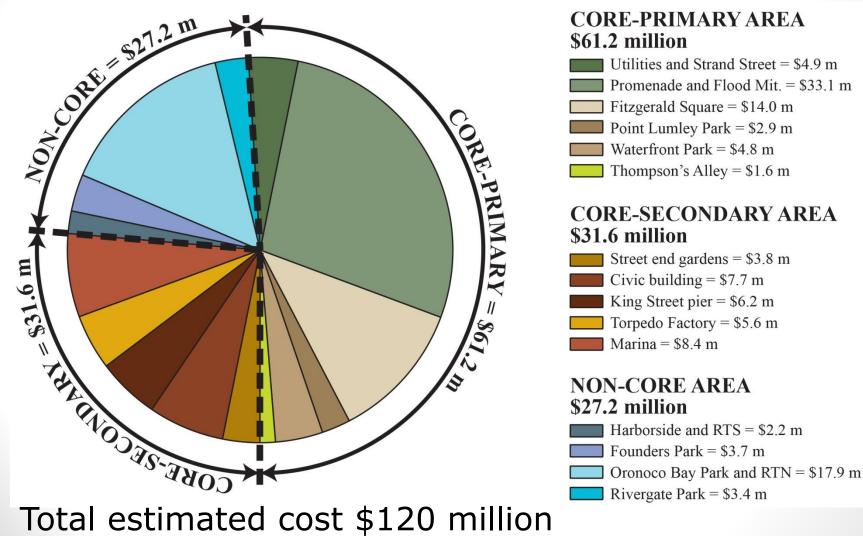


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- Translate Olin and flood mitigation designs into a fundable implementation plan
- Determine what gets built when by phasing
- Develop phasing and funding plan for capital budget (CIP)
- Will compete with other capital needs in a short and medium term constrained fiscal environment

Major cost categories of Waterfront public improvements

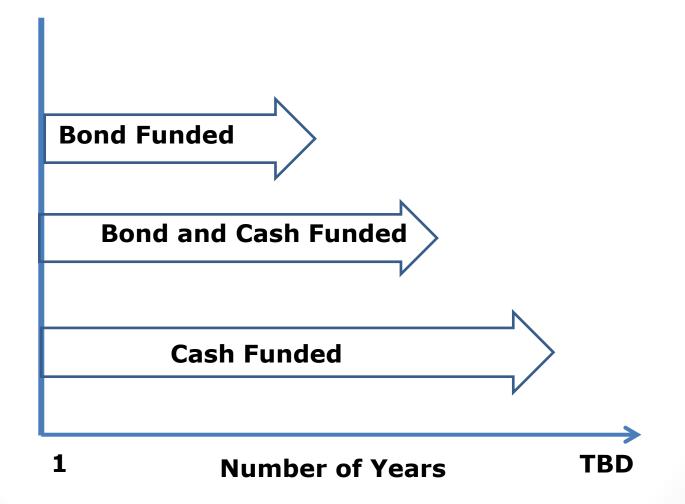




Total estimated cost \$120 million

Financing Options and Implementation







Project Revenues

- Revenues
 - Tax increment from new development
 - Developer contributions for Waterfront Plan
 - Potential fees for services
 - Private donations and fundraising
 - Grant funds



Implementation Priority Setting

 What are your priorities for implementation of these public improvements?

Tool: keypad polling

Notecards: comments and questions

Keypad warm-up questions...



Keypad Polling Overview

Question slides are indicated by



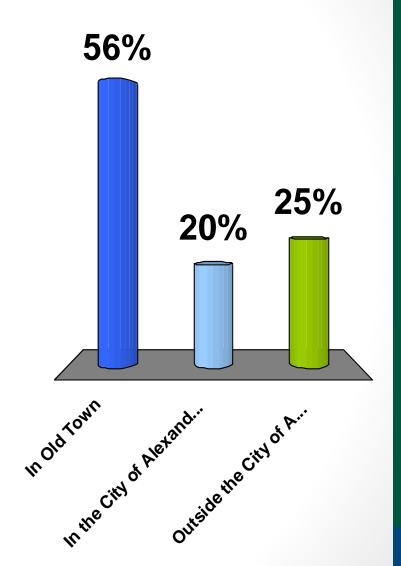
- Questions have time limits.
- Select the keypad number corresponding to your answer.
- You do <u>not</u> have to answer every question.
- Answers are anonymous.
- Your final answer before polling closes will be the one tabulated.



1. Where do you live? (select one)



- 1. In Old Town
- 2. In the City of Alexandria outside Old Town
- 3. Outside the City of Alexandria



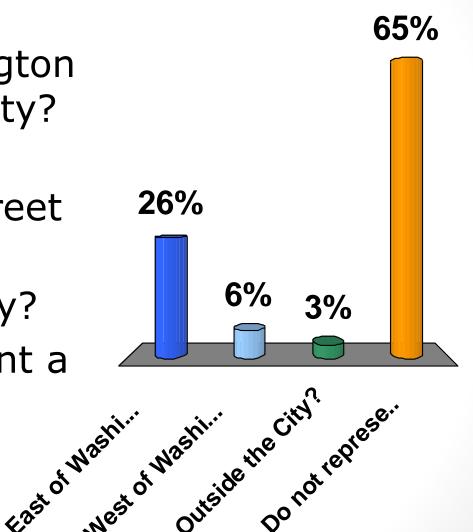


2. Do you represent a business?



- 1. East of Washington Street in the City?
- 2. West of Washington Street in the City?
- 3. Outside the City?

4. Do not represent a business.

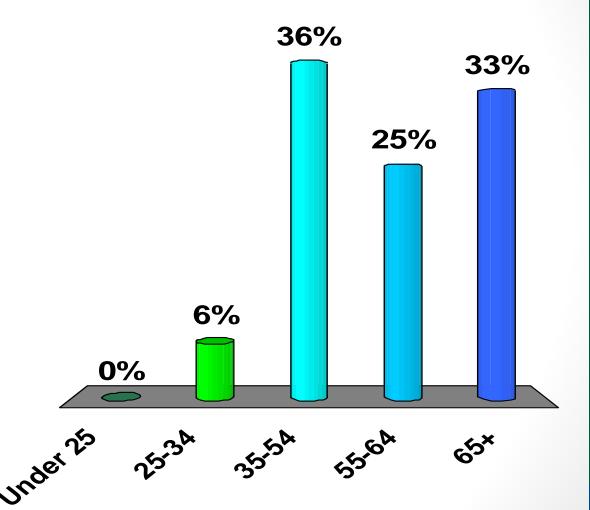




3. How old are you?



- 1. Under 25
- 2. 25-34
- 3.35-54
- 4.55-64
- 5.65+

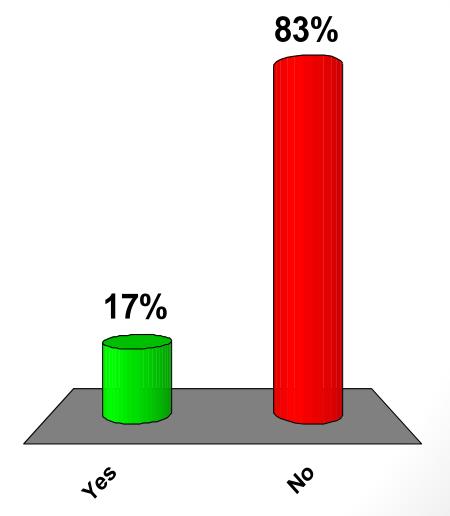




4. Are any members of your household 18 years old or younger?



- 1. Yes
- 2. No

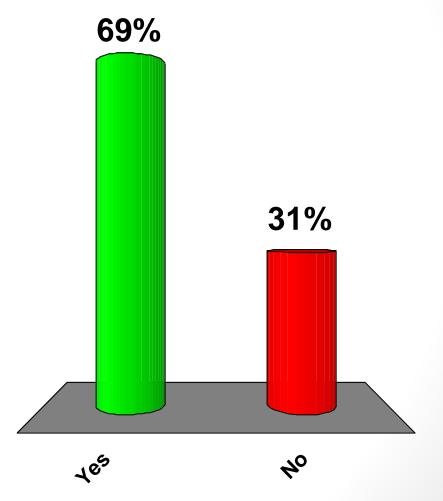




5. Have you attended previous Waterfront meetings or public hearings?



- 1. Yes
- 2. No





6. How often do you visit the Alexandria Waterfront?



- 1. Daily
- 2. A few times a week
- 3. A few times a month
- 4. A few times a year
- 5. Special events only
- 6. Rarely or never of

38%

29%

20%

12%

0%



General Priorities

Waterfront Plan Area



King Street

Pendleton Street



Wilkes Street

Third Street (NRG So. End)



Waterfront Plan Area: Core and Non Core Areas





Phase I Design (2014)

- Phase I Landscape and Flood Mitigation Design is based on the approved Waterfront Plan
- Phase I is the very early design stage
- Further design in Phase II







Point Lumley Park Children's Play Area



Point Lumley Park



Waterfront Park

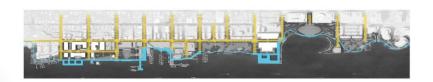


Wales Alley north of Waterfront Park

Design Elements **Promenade and Continuous Waterfront Walkway**



Promenade



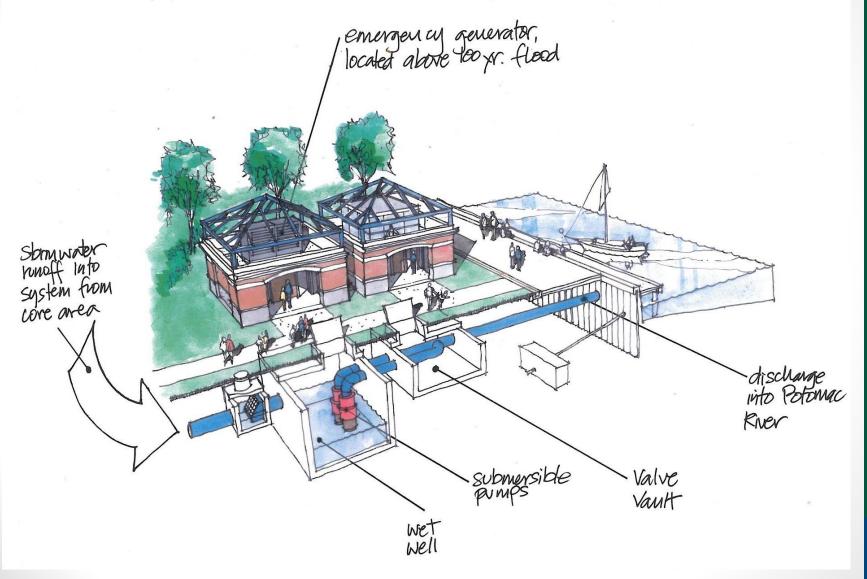


Continuous Waterfront Pathway





Flood Mitigation









Fitzgerald Square – Summer



Fitzgerald Square - Winter



King Street Pier





Torpedo Plaza and Commercial Marina





FOUNDERS PARK - PROPOSED



ORONOCO BAY PARK - PROPOSED





RIVERGATE PARK - PROPOSED



General Priorities

The next two questions will ask you to select **your first and second general priorities** for the Waterfront. The general priority areas are:

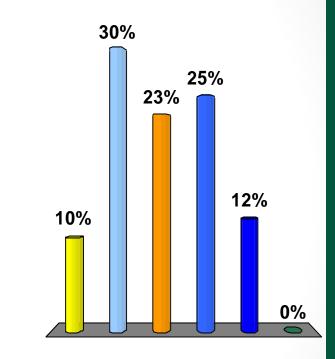
- 1. Public accessibility and activity at the foot of King Street.
- Expansion and enhancement of public parks and public space.
- 3. Improved flood mitigation.
- 4. Continuous public walkway (promenade) along the river.
- 5. Modern commercial and recreational boating facilities.
- 6. Other write on note card.



7. What is your highest general design priority?



- Public accessibility and activity at the foot of King Street
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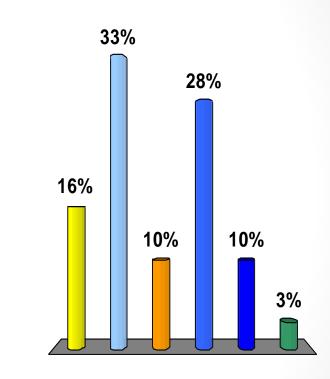
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8. What is your SECOND highest priority?



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- Expansion and enhancement of public parks and public space.
- 3. Improved flood mitigation
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Types of Public Spaces

The next questions will ask you to select the types of public spaces that are your first and second priorities for the Waterfront.

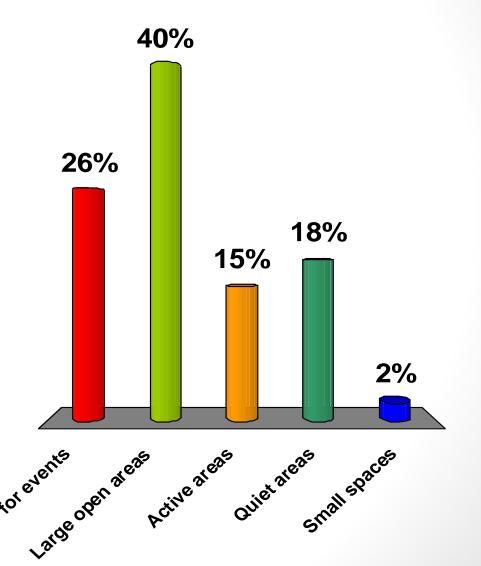
- 1. Space for medium to large events (festivals, movies, live performances, celebrations)
- 2. Large open passive recreation areas (picnics, frisbee, boat watching)
- 3. Active areas (playgrounds, bocci, etc.)
- 4. Quiet areas (reading, sunning, shading, individual enjoyment, picnics)
- Small spaces (small table board games, movable tables and chairs, small gatherings)



9. What type of Waterfront public space is **MOST** important to you?



- 1. Space for events
- 2. Large open areas
- 3. Active areas
- 4. Quiet areas
- 5. Small spaces

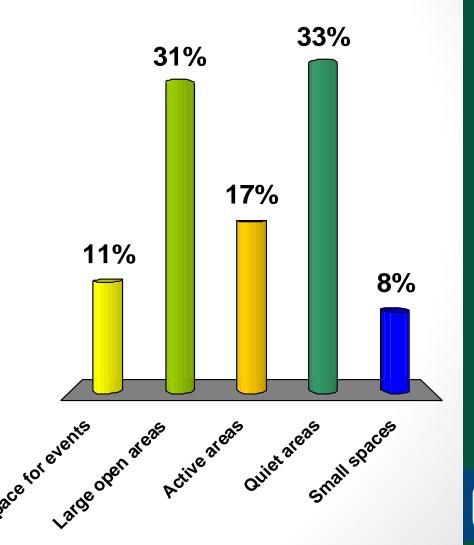




10. What type of Waterfront public space is **SECOND MOST** important to you?



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- 3. Active areas
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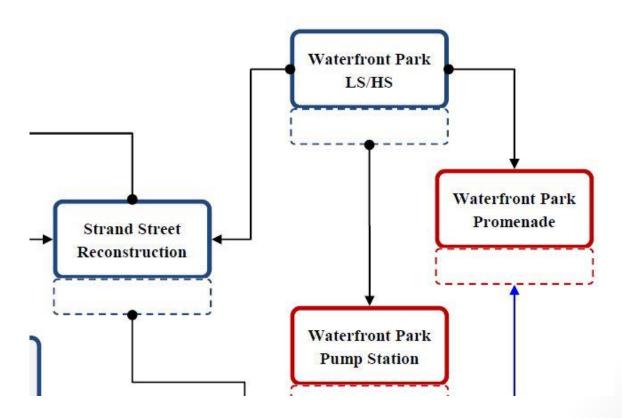
Specific Priorities



Project Dependencies

Example

- Construct bulkhead before promenade.
- Install utilities before road improvements.

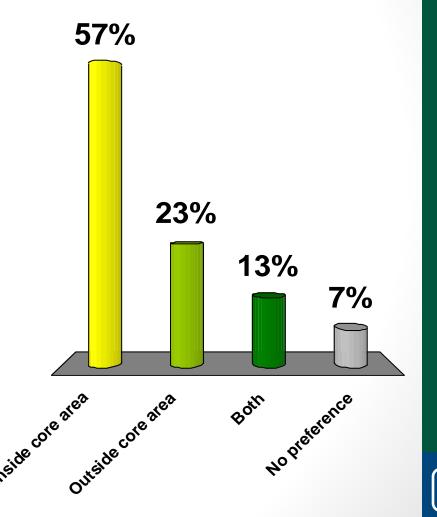




11. Where should construction of public improvements start?



- 1. Inside core area
- 2. Outside core area
- 3. Both
- 4. No preference

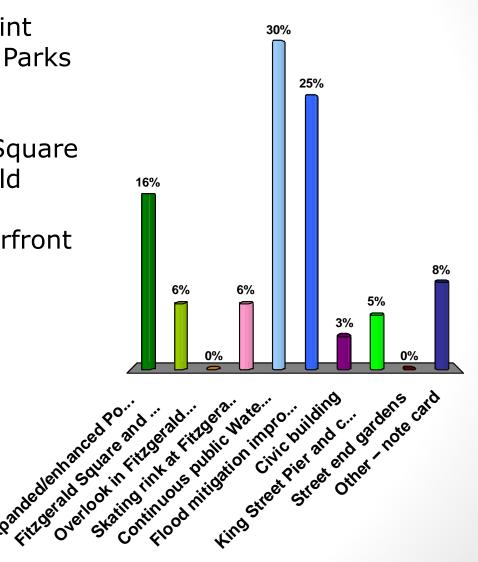




12. Which one of these core area improvements is your top priority?



- Expanded/enhanced Point Lumley and Waterfront Parks
- 2. Fitzgerald Square and Fountain
- 3. Overlook in Fitzgerald Square
- Skating rink at Fitzgerald Square
- 5. Continuous public Waterfront walkway
- 6. Flood mitigation improvements
- 7. Civic building
- 8. King Street Pier and commercial marina improvements
- 9. Street end gardens
- 10. Other note card

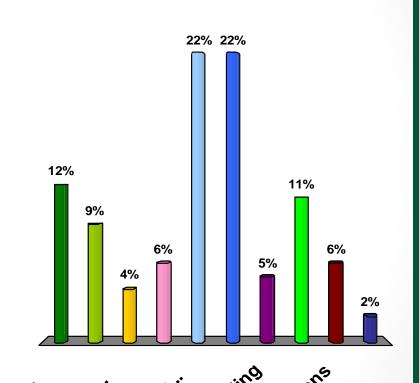




13. Which of these potential core area improvements are also high priorities? Select one or two.

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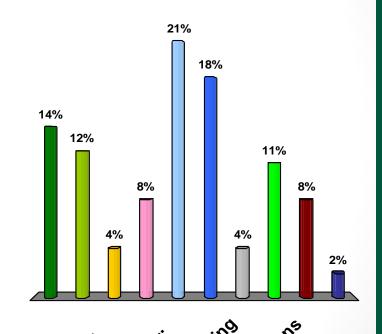




14. Which of these core area improvements would you like to see completed within the next 10 years? (You may select multiple answers)



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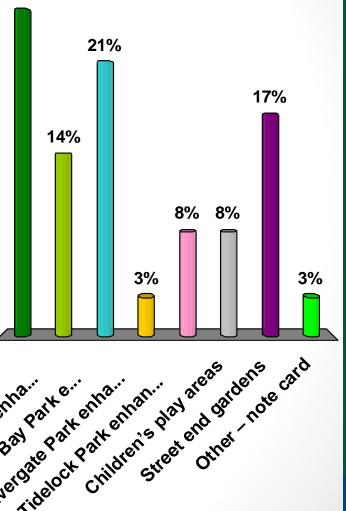




15. Which one of these improvements outside the core area is your top priority? 25%



- 1. Shipyard/Harborside Parks promenade connection
- 2. Founders Park enhancements
- 3. Oronoco Bay Park enhancements
- 4. Rivergate Park enhancements
- 5. Tidelock Park enhancements
- 6. Children's play areas
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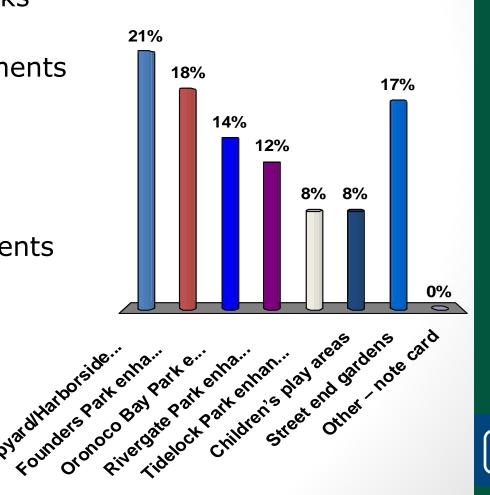
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16. Which of these improvements outside the core area are also high priorities? (select one or two)



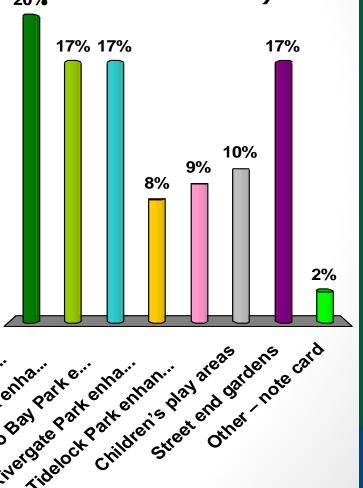
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17. Which of these improvements outside the core area should be completed within the next 10 years? (You may select multiple answers.)

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What's Next

- Visit AlexEngage
 http://engage.alexandriava.gov
- December 11, 2014 7:00 PM: Waterfront Commission and Park and Recreation Commission Joint Public Hearing on Priorities for Phasing and Funding (Nannie Lee Recreation Center)
- December 16, 2014, 7:30 AM: Waterfront Commission Monthly Meeting (Sister Cities, City Hall)



Waterfront Plan Implementation

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